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REMARKS

The following remarks are responsive to the March 23, 2005 Office Action. Claims 1-7 and 9 remain as originally filed, and Claim 8 remains as previously presented. Thus, Claims 1-9 are presented for further consideration. Please reconsider the claims in view of the following remarks.

Response to Rejection of Claims 1 and 8 for Obviousness-type Double Patenting

In the March 23, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1 and 8 under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1 and 23, respectively, of U.S. Patent No. 6,630,400 issued to Jiang et al.

Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer which overcomes the rejection of Claims 1 and 8 for obviousness-type double patenting. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of Claims 1 and 8 and pass these claims to allowance.

Response to Objection to Claims 2-7 and 9

In the March 23, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner objects to Claims 2-7 and 9 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. As discussed above, Applicants submit that Claims 1 and 8 are in condition for allowance. Each of Claims 2 and 6 depends from Claim 1, Claim 3 depends from Claim 2, Claim 4 depends from Claim 3, Claim 5 depends from Claim 4, Claim 7 depends from Claim 6, and Claim 9 depends from Claim 8. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection of Claims 2-7 and 9 and pass these claims to allowance.

Summary

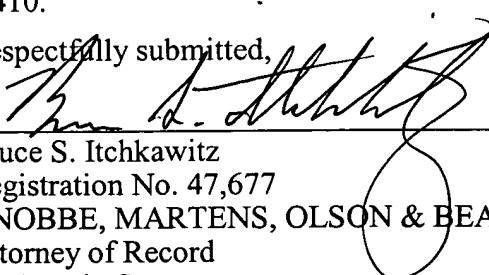
For the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that Claims 1-9 are in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request such action.

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